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Dear Ms. Kopko:

This letter is an interim response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated August 3, 2017. Your request was assigned FOIA tracking number BLM-2017-01111. You asked for:

...all records that pertain to the following entities:

- Petrogas*
- Gulfport Energy*
- Eclipse Resources*
- Flat Rock Development*

We have sent you 569 pages of responsive documents in three separate releases. Enclosed are 366 additional pages of responsive documents. Other documents are being reviewed for future releases.

Appeal Rights

You may appeal this response to the Department's FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer. If you choose to appeal, the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer must receive your FOIA appeal no later than 90 workdays from the date of this letter. Appeals arriving or delivered after 5 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, will be deemed received on the next workday.

Your appeal must be made in writing. You may submit your appeal and accompanying materials to the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer by mail, courier service, fax or email. All communications concerning your appeal should be clearly marked with the words: "FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL." You must include an explanation of why you believe the BLM's response is in error. You must also include with your appeal copies of all correspondence between you and the BLM concerning your FOIA request, including your original FOIA request and the BLM's response. Failure to include with your appeal all

correspondence between you and the BLM will result in the Department's rejection of your appeal, unless the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer determines (in the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer's sole discretion) that good cause exists to accept the defective appeal.

Please include your name and daytime telephone number (or the name and telephone number of an appropriate contact), email address, and fax number (if available) in case the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer needs additional information or clarification of your appeal.

DOI FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Office Contact Information

Department of the Interior
Office of the Solicitor
1849 C Street, N.W.
MS-6556 MIB
Washington, DC 20240

Attn: FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Office

Telephone: (202) 208-5339
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Email: FOIA.Appeals@sol.doi.gov

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. 552(c). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

The 2007 FOIA amendments created the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) to offer mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. Using OGIS services does not affect your right to pursue litigation. You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways:

Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road - OGIS
College Park, MD 20740-6001
E-mail: ogis@nara.gov
Web: <https://ogis.archives.gov>
Telephone: 202-741-5770
Fax: 202-741-5769
Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

Please note that using OGIS services does not affect the timing of filing an appeal with the Department's FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Officer. If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact Brian Smith by phone at (202) 912-7768, by fax at

(202) 912-7186, by email at bfsmith@blm.gov or by mail at 20 M Street SE, Suite 950, Washington, D.C. 20003.

You also may seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison, Ryan Witt, by phone at (202) 912-7562.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karen Mouritsen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Karen" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Mouritsen".

Karen Mouritsen
State Director